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## JSON.parse()

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Lesson Notes

Discussion (13)

A common use of JSON (JavaScript Object Notation) is to exchange data to/from a web server. When receiving data from a web server, the data is always a string. Before we can use the data, we parse it with `JSON.parse()` which turns the JSON data into something JavaScript can read (it turn it into a JavaScript object). Which allows us to access the data!

in *main.js*

```
/* 1. Grab the input value */

document.querySelector(".js-go").addEventListener('click', function() {

    var input = document.querySelector("input").value;
    pushToDOM(input);

});

document.querySelector(".js-userinput").addEventListener('keyup', function() {

    var input = document.querySelector("input").value;

    // if the key ENTER is pressed...
    if(e.which === 13) {
        pushToDOM(input);
    }

});

/* 2. do the data stuff with the API */

var url = "http://api.giphy.com/v1/gifs/search?q=funny+cat&api_key=YOUR_API_KEY";

// AJAX Request
var GiphyAJAXCall = new XMLHttpRequest();
GiphyAJAXCall.open( 'GET', url );
GiphyAJAXCall.send();

GiphyAJAXCall.addEventListener('load', function(e){

    var data = e.target.response;
    pushToDOM(data);

});

/* 3. Show me the GIFs */

function pushToDOM(input) {
```

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var response = JSON.parse(input);

var imageURL = response.data[0].images.fixed_height.url;
console.log(imageURL);

var container = document.querySelector(".js-container");
container.innerHTML = "<img src=\"https://media3.giphy.com/me

}

```

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